

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of	)	Examiner: Saether, Flemming
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JOHN J. TOBEN, et al.	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 3677
on DUCT REINFORCEMENT ROD	)	
AND FABRICATION APPARATUS	)	Confirmation No.: 2213
Serial No.: 10/668,704	)	
	)	
Filed: September 23, 2003	)	(Docket No.: 6006-0149-1)

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT and RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 7, 2009, the period for response being extended to June 7, 2010 by the accompanying three-month extension of time, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on Page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on Page 6 of this Amendment.